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Effects on the full enjoyment of human rights of the economic adjustment policies arising from foreign debt and, in particular, on the implementation of the Declaration on the Right to Development

Note by the Secretariat

1. In its resolution 1998/24, the Commission on Human Rights decided to appoint for a three-year period a special rapporteur on the effects of foreign debt on the full enjoyment of economic, social and cultural rights, and requested the Special Rapporteur to submit to the Commission on an annual basis, beginning at its fifty-fifth session, an analytical report on the implementation of the resolution.

2. The Chairman of the Commission subsequently appointed Mr. Reinaldo Figueredo (Venezuela) as Special Rapporteur. The Special Rapporteur was invited by the Secretariat to submit his report by 15 December 1998 in order to ensure its timely submission to the fifty-fifth session of the Commission. Due to the lateness of his appointment (12 August 1998), the Special Rapporteur indicated that he would not submit an analytical report to the Commission, but that he would orally present to the Commission an outline of the direction he would follow in his two next reports.

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